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JUSTICE BEFORE CHARITY

CLARING headlines tell that the Rockefeller foundation is going to relieve the distress of the coal miners in the Colorado fields. Now, this seems to be irony.

The distress in the coal mines, if we may believe the sworn statements before congressional and other investigations, was caused by an utter disregard of the rights of the miners and the setting at defiance of the laws of the land by the mine operators, and that the mining corporations were responsible for the murder of not only strikers but of women and children.

Had the workers been paid fair wages and had they been permitted to purchase where they wished, and had they been treated as ordinary human beings, there would be no necessity for the Rockefeller foundation offering charity (?) to the survivors of the battles between the miners and the imported gun men and militia.

An ounce of justice to working people is worth a ton of charity controlled by the men who deal unfairly with their employes.

The coal mine war in Colorado stands out as a blot on the name of that state, and all because of injustice. The dispensers of what they call "charity" should remember the lines of Burns, "Man's inhumanity to man makes countless thousands mourn."

A CHINESE VIEW

WE ARE indebted to L'Echo de Chine, the Shanghai journal which represents French interests in the Far East, for this very lucid account of the causes of the war, says the Glasgow Herald. It is the work of a young Chinaman, "with a limited knowledge of English."

"Now, there is a great battle in Europe. This began because the Prince of Austria went to Serbia with his wife. One man of Serbia killed them. Austria was angry, and so fight Serbia. Germany write a letter to Austria. I will help you. Russia write a letter to Serbia. I will help you. France did not want to fight, but they got ready their soldiers. Germany write a letter to France. You don't get ready or will I fight you in nine hours. Germany to fight them pass Belgium. Belgium say I am a country. I am not a road, and Belgium write a letter to England about Germany to them. So England help Belgium."

In spite of his limited knowledge of English, he gets home very neatly twice. "You don't get ready or I will fight you in nine hours" crystallizes the mobilization terror of continental nations; and "I am a country. I am not a road" is worthy of the most brilliant of British epigrammatists—although the phrase is solid truth, as few epigrams are.

Scattered Shots
SOME FELLOWS take themselves so blamed seriously that they finally believe everybody else does.

ONE ADVANTAGE of living in the Klamath country is that if things go wrong you can blame your troubles to the new county court.

A FELLOW ASKING a clerk for a "hat to suit my head" recently, was led to the soft hat department after a hasty "once over."

GIVE YOUR YARD a thorough clean up—then you'll be saved the embarrassment of having amateur settlement workers calling to see if they can do anything to alleviate your apparently squalid condition.

IT MIGHT BE of interest to local farmers to know that steers fed on

best pulp are commanding the highest price in the Portland market, while the prices of all other cattle have slipped off a few notches.

"IT'S A GOOD bet if I lose," said he, as he plunked down his dollar. And as usual in such cases—he lost.

HEALTH HINT for tomorrow—Don't kick a hat without first looking under it.

ALSO, FOR ONE day only remember that "all that is chocolate coated—is not candy."

PINE GROVE NEWS TERSELY DETAILED

GRIPPE IS ALL THE RAGE—CIVIC AND LITERARY CLUBS HOLD INTERESTING MEETING—FISHERMEN HAVE GOOD LUCK

(Herald Special Service)
PINE GROVE, March 31.—Mrs. White, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Grimes and Miss Baker attended the opera "Martha" at the Houston opera house last week.

Miss Pauline White, teacher at the Pine Grove school, and Miss Flossie Baker, teacher at Olene, spent Sunday in the county seat.

The Women's Civic Club met with Mesdames James and Henry Grimes Thursday. A pleasant afternoon was spent in needlework and social chat. At a late hour light refreshments were served by the hostesses to the guests, who were Mrs. Shepherd, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. Icenbice, Mrs. Arant, Mrs. Corpening, Mrs. McKensie, Miss White, Mrs. Chamberlain, Mrs. Grigsby, Mrs. Brown and Miss Baker.

La grippe is present in the neighborhood. Not a welcome guest, however.

Mrs. Corpening was in town last Monday, visiting friends.

O. W. Harris, P. Kinsman and H. M. Miller went fishing Thursday, and made a big catch.

Ivan Icenbice hurt his hand severely last week.

Miss Lola Wilson spent the week end with friends in Pine Grove.

Charles Dutton had good luck Sunday, fishing for mullets at the Lost River diversion dam.

The showers Friday evening spoiled the big brush burning the boys of Pine Grove planned to hold near H. M. Miller's barn.

The recent meeting of the Pine Grove Literary Society enjoyed a program consisting of songs, recitations, banjo music by O. W. Harris and Clarence Harris, and violin numbers by Mr. McClure and selections on the organ by Mrs. S. E. Icenbice.

Cal and Miss Jennie Icenbice spent Sunday evening as guests of Nora, Ed and Earl Miller.

The Pine Grove Sunday school will elect new officers Sunday. All members are requested to be present, and all visitors will be cordially welcomed.

The new officers of the Pine Grove Literary Society are: President, Ivan Icenbice; secretary, Miss Ines Elliott; treasurer, Mrs. Icenbice; program committee, Robert and Ines Elliott and Jennie Icenbice.

Mrs. Parkhurst, the Olene postmistress and merchant, has some new equipment for the postoffice and store.

The boys of the Pine Grove school have made bird houses for the protection of the birds.

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Need of Drainage for Irrigated Lands Emphasized by Government

(Herald Special Service)
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 31.—More than 10 per cent of the irrigated lands in the United States which have had water for any considerable period of time are now either absolutely unproductive or given over to poor pastures and unprofitable crops, according to the United States Department of Agriculture. Waterlogging and the accumulation of harmful mineral salts are responsible. Even in some of the most recent irrigation projects serious injury from these causes has been wrought.

Methods of reclaiming land which has fallen into this condition forms the subject of a new bulletin of the department (No. 190). "The Drainage of Irrigated Land." Drainage supplement by proper methods of cultivation, cropping and irrigation will restore these waterlogged areas to a condition in which they can be farmed with profit, the bulletin points out. Proper drainage will accomplish four objects: First, the lowering of the ground water table to a depth where the moisture and air within the root zone will be properly balanced. Second, the creation of an outlet for percolating water, so that the ground water will not fluctuate excessively. Third, the rapid removal of excess moisture following spring thaws; and

Fourth, the creation of an outlet for the downward moving water used to dissolve out the injurious salts. Incrustations of alkali salts and the presence of highly alkali resistant plants are frequently indications of over-irrigation. In some cases ponds, bogs and marshes are also found, but in others there are no visible signs of excessive wetness, and its existence can only be inferred from its effects upon vegetation. The bulletin calls special attention to the difference in drainage practice between the arid and the humid regions, and emphasizes the need for thorough knowledge of underground conditions. To drain areas of this character will cost, it is estimated, on the average from \$10 to \$20 an acre, except under unusual conditions when the cost may run as high as \$50 an acre. Both open canals and covered conduits are in general use. The open canals, however, are intended primarily for the main outlet systems in which provisions must be made for a considerable flow of water. The covered drains are for farm drainage proper, although, except for the additional expense, they could be used equally well for the main outlets. As a matter of fact, although they cost more than the open canals, are maintenance charges are usually lower, much valuable space is saved, and cultivation and irrigation are much

easier with them than with open canals. Where covered conduits are employed they are usually made either of cement or clay tile. In some localities lumber box drains are used, but this is usually advantageous only in isolated places where lumber is cheap and transportation rates high. The life of such a drain is reasonably long if the lumber is continuously wet, but if alternate wetting and drying takes place, the material may last only a few years.

If properly drained land bacterial activity is increased and more plant food provided by the admission of air into the soil to take the place of the excess water which has been removed. The downward movement of water through the soil also leaches out the excess of harmful salts, and this is one of the most important functions of drainage in the irrigated sections. The water removed by the drainage system may be employed for the irrigation of other areas, thereby increasing the available irrigated area. Furthermore, drained land may be plowed earlier than undrained, and in consequence, may be irrigated earlier. This is an obvious advantage in that it makes it possible for the land to be irrigated before the supply of water becomes reduced. Various forms of drainage systems and the best methods of constructing them are discussed in the bulletin.

A LITTLE SPORTING GOSSIP

By Hal Sheridan

(Written for the United Press)
NEW YORK, March 31.—Whether the New York Yankees finish first or eighth in the coming pennant fight, they're going to have something this season they haven't had in years. That is a man directing the playing and who is a real manager, and not a mere figurehead, subject to the whims and notions of owners and small stock holders, who think they know more about the daily diamond grind than he does.

Bill Donovan is a real manager. What he says goes in regard to hiring and firing of players.

This was shown in the Marty McHale deal. Marty had been used to dealing with the Farrell-Devery crowd and when he wanted to consult about his new contract he went, as usual, to Captain Huston and Colonel Ruppert, the owners. Bill Donovan was completely ignored.

Imagine the sorrel-topped hurler's surprise when he was curtly informed that whether he was tendered a new contract or not was strictly up to Bill Donovan. He wasn't even quoted a price at the Yankee headquarters. This was so unusual that Marty just couldn't get it straight in his head.

So he went out and hunted up Bill Donovan. Bill told him what he could expect when he signed a contract. He quoted a figure \$300 over what McHale received last year, and

McHale gave him the laugh. Nothing doing, he said, and hiked back to see Captain Huston and Colonel Ruppert, and dropped vague hints about a league he knew of that would be glad to have him.

He saw them. In very few words they told him to see Manager Donovan—that whatever figure he quoted was good enough for them, and that all negotiations about his contract would have to be between he and Donovan. Still Marty couldn't understand it. It was so utterly unlike anything he had ever had to do with Yankee management before that he couldn't get it. He was also slightly peeved. So when the Yanks pulled out for Savannah on their annual spring training jaunt the thespian pitcher was not numbered among those present. For about a week after the team left Marty hung around New York, seeing Ruppert and Huston almost daily, and always with the same result: "See Bill Donovan."

Finally Marty gave it up, and paid his own expenses to Savannah to see Bill.

This may not seem so important on the face of it, but it marks a new epoch in the life of the Yanks. Whatever the success of the team may be—good or bad—it is wholly up to Bill Donovan.

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